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Mr. Charles E. Johnson Executive Assistant Operations Coordinating Board Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Johnson:

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This will acknowledge your memorandum of 3 October 1956, requesting a statement as to the current policy of this Agency with respect to assigning officers, to positions of lower equivalent rank than that held by the individual affected. It is noted that you are interested in this policy particularly as it might affect individuals at salary levels above the CS-15 range.

Although we have been exempted from the Classification Act of 1949, as smended, we do generally adhere to the principles of that Act. In keeping with this practice, we would normally assign an individual to a position of corresponding grade. Cases in which this is not feasible are considered on an individual basis including such factors as the circumstances of assignment, past service of the individual, and need for his services in the lower-graded positions.

Very truly yours,

Signed

Marrison G. Reynolds Director of Personnel

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